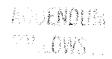
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laware		Milford	
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (			HABS NO.
Parson Thorne Mansion	•		DE-197
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF	STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE L	OCATION FOR RURAL SITES)		
501 N.W. Front Street			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUD	E SOURCE) ARCHITECT(S) (INC.	LUDE SOURCE)	
1730-34; main house 1745-50:		•	
1879	The Thirty on the Table	I ICD OF CHINIOT	(mp)
	AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGIN		
This house, clearly altered	in the late nineteenth century An early owner was Rev. Sydenha	, features exqui	site Georgian
town of Milford and builder	of the present Christ Church.		ounder of the
	tho negotiated the Clayton-Bulw	er Treaty with G	reat Britain, live
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		h	ere as a boy.
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (IN	CLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)	`	
	Flemish bond; rear wing wood f	rome with brish	nogging
	CTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON		
	wings and hyphens. Main hous		
and-a-half stories with one	story wings. What appears to	<u>be a standard Ge</u>	orgian plan is
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE	(Con	tinued in Other	Information below
The roof was raised on the m	ain block and two wings, and s	teeply pitched c	ross gables put or
each. Each cross gable and	the gable ends of the main blo	ck have pointed-	arch windows. The
windows in the main block be	ain block have a triple-arched ve splayed wooden lintels and	screen with pen	dants. First-floo
	ESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKI		
Main block has chair rails,	cornice moldings, molded windowith butterfly shelves; west win	w surrounds, elai	horately pameled
Tireplace walls, cupboards w	ith butterfly shelves; west win	g has paneled fi	replace wall,
interior finish.	has large cooking fireplace, b	eaded ceiling be	ams, plain
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITE	ONS WITH DATES		
1879-exterior altered by rai	sing roof, adding cross gables	•	
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE			
acquired by Milford Historic	al Society, 1961		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPR	IATE (continued from Shape and	Dimensions	
actually quite unusual; the	stairway runs across the south	front. west end	l and there are
only two main rooms in this	center block.	3 0 11 4 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 1	and silere are
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCL	UDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGIS	STER, STATE REGIS	STERS, ETC.)
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Commission 1060	ic Houses and Buildings of Dela	aware (Dover: P	ublic Archives
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